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TAGS: MASS, BBAK, GH

SUBJECT: BELL HELICOPTERS

REF:A) ACCRA 9218; B) STATE 252478

1. IN RESPONSE REFTEL A, BELL WAS NOTIFIED. BELL REPRESENTATIVE STATED THAT ON RECENT TRIP TO ACCRA PROPOSALS AND PRICE QUOTATIONS FOR SIX BELL 212 HELOS AND/OR SIX 205 HELOS WERE MADE THROUGH DIRECT CONTACT BY BELL REP TO OFFICIALS

MINISTRY OF DEFENSE AND THE GHANAIAN AIR FORCE. BELLSTATES THAT COMPANY DOES NOT WISH TO WORK THROUGH THRID-PARTY AGENT, BUT PREFERS TO DEAL DIRECTLY UNCLASSIFIED

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WITH GOG REPRESENTATIVES.

2. THE US MANUFACTURED BELL 212 AND 205 ARE COMMERCIAL HELICOPTERS AND ARE NOT CARRIED ON THE MUNITIONS CONTROL LIST. SHOULD THE CONFIGURATION OF EITHER TYPE AIRCRAFT BE MODIFIED TO CARRY ARMOR OR ARMAMENTS, THEY WOULD THEN BE CONSIDERED AS SIGNIFICANT COMBAT EQUIPMENT AND THE

PROVISIONS OF REFTEL B WOULD APPLY.

3. WILL POUCH LIST OF SIGNIFICANT COMBAT EQUIPMENT AS SOON AS AVAILABLE. VANCE

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